M. S. Brewster
New York Sept. 1843
$7 on Pratt's note.

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Dr Sir

Mr S W Benedict informs me that you have written him respecting the suit against W W Pratt

On the 25th May I sued Mr Pratt in the Supreme Court on the $50 Note - When the 20 days to plead to the Declaration were expired he called he called & payed me $12.50 stating that he would not & could not pay any Costs &c & would pay the balance of the Note without interest in three quarterly payments - I have not yet called for the 2d Instalment - will do so however in a day or two - the Attys Costs are 5. $ & disbursements - I send you the balance of the first payment 7 $ - He said if Judgt was obtained it could not be collected & that he should not pay it &c &c - I think he will pay the remaining without further Suit &c

I should have sent before but I knew not of your return from Europe till this Morning -

Yours &c

M S Bidwell